

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

EDWARD P. BEARD, JR.,

Plaintiff,

v.

ARIK HELMAN *et al.*,

Defendants.

No. 4:21-CV-00680

(Chief Judge Brann)

ORDER

MARCH 6, 2024

In accordance with the accompanying Memorandum Opinion, **IT IS
HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment on the Issue of Settlement (Doc. 35) is **DENIED**.
2. Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment on the Issue of Joint Authorship (Doc. 33) is **GRANTED** in part and **DENIED** in part;
 - a. The motion is **GRANTED** as to any copyright infringement claims for Defendant's use of Plaintiff's design in their three-dimensional dragon boot buttons; and
 - b. The motion is **DENIED** as to any copyright infringement claims for Defendants' use of Plaintiff's design in products displaying their simplified, two-dimensional design.

3. A telephonic status conference call with counsel of record will be scheduled by separate Order of Court.

BY THE COURT:

s/ Matthew W. Brann

Matthew W. Brann

Chief United States District Judge